

## Victim Advocates' Network

The Attorney General's Victim Advocates' Network connects professionals across the state who assist victims of violent crimes like sexual assault, domestic violence and human trafficking. Victim advocates include those who serve at domestic violence shelters, sheriffs' departments, prosecutors' offices, hospitals and more. Advocates often have backgrounds in trauma treatment and rape crisis counseling, social work, paralegal services or law enforcement.

The Victim Advocates' Network provides resources, support and training opportunities to victim advocates. It also provides a forum for advocates to share ideas and collaborate to better serve victims.

If you are a victim advocate and would like to join the Victim Advocates' Network, email [VictimAdvocateNetwork@atg.in.gov](mailto:VictimAdvocateNetwork@atg.in.gov).

## Victim Services & Outreach



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# Address Confidentiality

## How it works:

The Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) allows individuals who fear for their safety to use a confidential PO Box registered to the Attorney General's Office (OAG) as their mailing address for official business and for public records. The OAG will collect the mail, repackage it, and send it to the physical address. Please note, we are only able to forward first class mail.

## Requirements:

- Have a court ordered protective order in place
- Be a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking
- Be 18 years of age or older

## How to apply:

Applying to the ACP is easy. You can download an application from the ACP page at [www.in.gov/attorneygeneral](http://www.in.gov/attorneygeneral). Fill out your part and take it to an advocate to complete the application. The ACP website has a listing of advocates throughout Indiana. If you don't have access to a computer, you can call the toll-free ACP line for help in locating a local advocate.

To learn more about the ACP please visit the Attorney General's website at [www.in.gov/attorneygeneral](http://www.in.gov/attorneygeneral).

# Hope Card

The Indiana Hope Card Program allows anyone with a valid, long-term order of protection for domestic violence, stalking and/or sexual assault to request a card that summarizes the order's most important details to provide law enforcement with critical information in the case of a potential violation of the order.

## How it works:

The Hope Card is laminated and similar in size to a credit card. It contains essential information about a civil protection order, such as identifying characteristics of the person being ordered to "stay away."

## Facts:

- Hope Cards are free for the petitioner named in the protection order.
- A Hope Card is not a substitute for an order of protection. It is simply a more durable means of providing pertinent information about the existing order.

## How to request an Indiana Hope Card:

If you already have a protection order, you must request a Hope Card through your local advocate.

For more information contact the Office of the Indiana Attorney General at [inhopecard\[at\]atg.in.gov](mailto:inhopecard[at]atg.in.gov) or visit our website at [www.in.gov/attorneygeneral](http://www.in.gov/attorneygeneral).

# IN's Not Buying It

Today, adults and children are being bought and sold for sex in the United States and right here in Indiana. IN's Not Buying It initiative seeks to end sex trafficking in our state by reducing demand for commercial sex and providing support for victims of human trafficking.

## What is human trafficking?

Human trafficking occurs when people are recruited into the sex or labor trade through force, fraud or coercion or when a child is used for commercial sex. It happens in all corners of the state, and primarily to young, vulnerable populations.

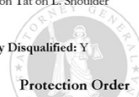

- 83% of sex trafficking victims in the U.S. are U.S. citizens.
- The average age children are first used in the sex trade is 13.
- The average age of death of a person used in the sex trade is 34 and the most common cause of death is homicide.

## How can I get involved?

You can take the online pledge and firmly state that you are Not Buying It at [www.INNotBuyingIt.org](http://www.INNotBuyingIt.org). Organizations can also declare they are Not Buying It by participating in free human trafficking trainings.

If you are a victim of human trafficking or if you suspect human trafficking is occurring in your neighborhood, call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1.888.373.7888.

Learn more about the fight against human trafficking and IN's Not Buying It at [www.INNotBuyingIt.org](http://www.INNotBuyingIt.org) or by emailing [humantraffickinginfo\[at\]atg.in.gov](mailto:humantraffickinginfo[at]atg.in.gov).

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<p><b>RESPONDENT</b></p> <p>John Doe</p> <p>DOB: 06/02/1967 Race: C Sex: Male Height: 6'2" Weight: 185 Eyes: Brown Hair: Brown</p> <p>Scars / Marks / Tattoos: Dragon Tat on L. Shoulder</p> <p>Brady Disqualified: Y</p> <p> Protection Order</p> <p><small>This card certifies that the person named on the back of this card has a Protection Order on file with the State of Indiana against the individual listed above. Violation of the Protection Order is a Class A misdemeanor or Class D felony under I.C. § 35-46-1-15.1 Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2265, Protection Orders issued by outside jurisdictions shall be provided full faith and credit.</small></p>	<p><b>State of Indiana</b></p> <p>County: Ada Court: Justice Case No.: 12345678 Issued date: 10/05/2011 Expires: 10/05/2013</p> <p><b>Petitioner</b></p> <p>Susie Doe DOB: 05/02/1968 Sex: Female Race: Caucasian Height: 5'3"</p> <p></p> <p><b>Other People Protected by this Order:</b></p> <table border="1"><tbody><tr><td>Jane Doe</td><td>05/2008</td><td>Sammy Doe</td><td>05/2005</td></tr><tr><td>John Doe</td><td>05/2007</td><td>Jimmy Doe</td><td>05/2004</td></tr><tr><td>Alan Doe</td><td>05/2006</td><td>Eddie Doe</td><td>05/2003</td></tr></tbody></table> <p><small>Law Enforcement Must Verify This Order With the Indiana Protective Order Registry</small></p>	Jane Doe	05/2008	Sammy Doe	05/2005	John Doe	05/2007	Jimmy Doe	05/2004	Alan Doe	05/2006	Eddie Doe	05/2003
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